

and cattle dealing business for Mr. Lester.

H. S. Scott, who was for a length of time with Mr. Cousins in the general business, is now in the hardware line on his own account, and handles Massey's implements.

T. York keeps the American Hotel, and is ever ready to enter to his guests, and the most satisfactory style. Those present, who also farms, runs the Commission in good form.

The Times is a real live newspaper in the place, and is a good acquisition to the people.

York Bros. are carpenters; J. C. Colter is a painter.

The place has besides all the minor industries usually found in a good place.

The building institution of the place is the hospital undertaken by Dr. John Niblock, C. P. R. despatcher, and the place, aided largely by his late assistant wife. In this brief article we have space but to allude to it, and will have more to say of it in a later issue.

The structure is some 80 feet in length, and 60 in breadth, three stories high, and is built of solid stone. The place was conceived by Mr. Niblock himself, and is said to be most complete in all its appointments. It has a surgery room for some forty patients, all the other apartments necessary for such an institution, and so built out to give facility for the classification of patients, and private apartments for the sick who are unable to be especially treated, and are willing to pay for accommodation. The institution is well heated by hot air, well ventilated, well supplied by water for use and protection, possessed of large well laid out grounds, and the whole having an air of perfection and cheerfulness that are beautiful and conducive to recovery. At present there are two nurses on the premises, one of the number being an experienced professional.

Dr. Oliver, a most agreeable and mild-mannered man, who also a dentist in the place, is the surgeon in charge, and is ever ready by word and act to do anything possible to relieve their suffering.

One of the grievances of the place is the inconvenience of the land office at that point. It is but an auxiliary to another distant, which is the cause of the inconvenience. It works this way: John Smith may go to the agent there, Mr. Smith, and enter for a given quarter section.

The matter is then referred to the land office, and it may be found the same is entered for there. If each office were allotted a distinct territory, this state of things could be remedied.

CITY COUNCIL.

There was a full Council at the meeting on Monday night. Every member being present. Matters of great importance to the city were discussed at length, and committees appointed to fully consider questions which were made by the Council.

First, the reading of the minutes of the meeting of the 11th inst. was read, and approved.

Second, the petition of the residents of the city, who are petitioning for the improvement of the city, was read, and approved.

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ous protest being entered by Alderman Murray for the interference of the regular standing committees by continually appointing special committees.

Alderman Wattle then read the following memorial to the Dominion Parliament re the Hudson Bay railway which was unanimously supported by the Council.

To the Honorable the Speaker and members of the House of Commons at Ottawa.

The Municipal Council of the City of Brandon most respectfully sheweth.

That situated as Manitoba is in the centre of the North American continent, its inhabitants feel very severely the want of a shorter and cheaper route to the markets of the world as owing to the extreme cost of freight to the seaboard they are unable to realize anything like a reasonable or paying return for the staple products of the country.

It has been demonstrated by the experience of the Hudson Bay Company for over two centuries that a safe and practical route has existed via Hudson Bay and Straits to the west coast of the continent.

The early settlers of the Colony entered the country; the produce of the chase of the entire Northwest was conveyed to the commercial centres of the old world and the necessary supplies of manufactured goods and live stock imported in return.

The construction of the railway to connect the existing and future lines of railway in the country with Hudson Bay would be of immense benefit to our people by affording them a short, cheap and ready means of access to the water by reducing the cost of transportation of our live stock and dairy products to the markets of Europe and by offering to immigrants a shorter and more direct road to the very heart of the Dominion, and would tend very materially to promote the rapid development of Manitoba and of the whole Northwest.

In view therefore of the great importance of the Hudson Bay railway to this country, to the Territories and to the Dominion at large, your memorialists would most respectfully pray that your Honorable House will be pleased to grant such substantial aid as will enable the company to undertake the immediate construction of the great enterprise, and carry it out to completion and your memorialists as in duty bound they pray.

A. KELLY, Mayor.
J. C. KELLY, Clerk.

A committee from the Board of Directors of the Brandon General Hospital consisting of Mr. J. W. Sifton, Mr. R. D. Darnell and Mr. E. J. Barclay were present to lay before the Council the claims of the hospital for assistance towards the erection of a suitable building.

On motion it was unanimously agreed that they be heard. When Mr. Sifton said that the committee had been at work during the winter trying to get the board of directors reorganized and the whole business in such a shape that they could go forward and erect a suitable building and thoroughly equip it. The committee was of the opinion that the City Council should give such substantial assistance in the outset as would insure the success of the enterprise rather than leave the whole burden on the few willing ones. They had plans drawn and estimates made by which they had decided that the sum of \$12,000 would be required to erect a suitable building to accommodate twenty-five patients. They had decided to ask the city for \$8,000 and expected to raise the remaining \$4,000 from different municipalities who would join with them.

Mr. Darnell also spoke explaining questions asked by the Council when several of the aldermen spoke strongly in favor of granting such assistance as would be needed. The matter was referred to the special committee appointed to consider city improvements and the deputation withdrew.

The question re helping Mr. Larkin on account of the change in location of the water tank was argued when it was moved by Ald. Hanbury, Sec. by Ald. Evans that Mr. Larkin be paid the sum of \$150 in full of said account without prejudice. A show of hands was called when the vote stood 4 to 5, Mayor Kelly deciding in favor of the motion.

This ended one of the most interesting and business like meetings the City Council has had this season.

THE SADNESS OF DEATH.

THE LATE MRS. MARON.

Sadness and gloom were spread over the city of Sunday afternoon by the sudden death of Mrs. Maron, wife of Rev. H. C. Maron, pastor of the Congregational church. It is less than a year since they came to Brandon and were only comfortably settled in their new manse a few months ago and were beginning to feel at home amongst the people. The blow is doubly severe as they were both far removed from relatives and also in strange and new land. Mrs. Maron has the heart-felt sympathy not only of his devoted little flock but of all congregations of the city. Words can scarcely express the heartfelt sorrow experienced by friends when they see one whom they respect and love bowed with grief and bereaved of the one to whom he looked for sympathy and affection in the trials and sorrows of life. It is in cases of this kind that a higher power is needed to sustain and comfort.

The funeral took place to the Brandon cemetery on Tuesday afternoon at 3 p.m. Before starting for the cemetery the coffin was taken into the church which stands beside the manse and a short service conducted by Rev. H. Polley.

Countess not bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

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REGINA FIRE LOSSES.

MRS. SMITH'S NARROW ESCAPE FROM CREMATION.

DETAILED LIST OF DAMAGE AND INSURANCE—MERCHANTS RESCUING BUSINESS IN TEMPORARY QUARTERS—EXPLOSION OF GUNPOWDER.

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South Railway street was swept from Broad to Rose street. It is uncertain how the fire originated. About 2:30 the alarm was given, and when the roar of Smith & Ferguson's hardware store was enveloped in flames and Smith Bros' hotel was burning briskly. Very shortly the Palmer House ignited and burned like a tinder, some guests leaving by the upper windows. The fire spread westward to Mowat's goods' furnishings, and thence made a clean sweep to Sprague's general store, on the west corner of Rose street, which was torn down, and the fire was arrested there. The wife of Jack Smith, of the hotel, had a narrow escape, being rescued by the plucky effort of Fred Carson, through an upper window, after three others had retreated from the attempt. An explosion of gunpowder in one of the hardware stores shattered the windows on the east side of Broad street. The efforts of the town fire brigade proved futile, the horse-power engine being too late for the two-story buildings.

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